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SUBJECT: NPT TRIPARTITE CONSULTATIONS; BWC DEPOSITION

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1. MALLABY (UK POLITICAL COUNSELOR) ON MARCH 12 INFORMED
TIMBERBAYEV THAT THE UK PROPOSAL OF WEEK OF MARCH 17 AS THE
TIME FRAME FOR THE NPT TRIPARTITE CONSULTATIONS WAS INTENDED
AS A SUGGESTION ONLY, NOT AS A FORMAL PROPOSAL.

2. TIMBERBAYEV IN RESPONSE NOTED THAT PRACTICAL
PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN PREPARING FOR A MARCH 17 MEETING
WERE MOUNTING IN VIEW OF CLOSENESS OF THAT DATE.
SHIFTING TO SUBJECT MATTER OF CONSULTATIONS, TIMBERBAYEV
STRESSED THAT SOVIETS WILL WANT TO DISCUSS SUBSTANCE OF
REVIEW CONFERENCE, NOT PROCEDURAL ISSUES. HE SUGGESTED
THAT THE THREE DELEGATIONS COULD PERHAPS DISCUSS DRAFTS
OF A FINAL DOCUMENT WHICH REVIEW CONFERENCE COULD ISSUE.
HE SAID THAT THE SOVIETS ARE NOT WORKING ON A

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"DECLARATION" WHICH WOULD BE SUITABLE. HE SUGGESTED

THAT THE THREE DELEGATIONS COULD PERHAPS ALSO DISCUSS
THE TACTICS OF ACHIEVING CONFERENCE APPROVAL OF A
PREFERRED VERSION OF THE DOCUMENT AS WELL.

3. FYI, MALLABY TELLS US THAT FROM TIMERBAYEV'S
REMARKS IT SEEMS PROBABLE THAT THE SOVIET DELEGATION TO
THE CONSULTATIONS WILL BE HEADED BY ISRAELYAN. WE WILL
ATTEMPT TO CONFIRM THIS. END FYI.

4. ON THE DEPOSITION CEREMONY FOR THE BIOLOGICAL
WEAPONS CONVENTION, MALLABY PASSED TO TIMERBAYEV UK
SUGGESTION THAT CEREMONY BE HELD "SOMETIME NEXT WEEK."
ALSO, IN VIEW OF THE CLOSENESS OF THIS DATE, MALLABLY
SUGGESTED THAT RATHER THAN INVITE AMBASSADORS OF ALL
RATIFYING STATES TO THE CEREMONY, ONLY AMBASSADORS FROM
THOSE STATES READY TO DEPOSIT RATIFICATIONS AT THE CERE-
MONY BE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE. TIMERBAYEV SEEMED
FAVORABLY INCLINED TO THIS SUGGESTION, BUT DID NOT
COMMIT HIMSELF.
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